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Cantata focus on the reason for the season



Vicki Brooker photo

ALL DENOMINATIONS AND ALL AGES sing out the age-old story of Jesus' birth, "Away in a Manger," under the direction of Holly Myshaniuk (right) at the annual Interfaith Cantata, this year hosted by Elk Point United Church.

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Singers from five area churches - the host Elk Point United, Holy Eucharist Ukrainian Catholic, St. Michael's Roman Catholic, St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic and St. Joseph's Roman Catholic - came together as one on Sunday night at the annual Interfaith Cantata, telling the age-old story of Jesus' birth with scripture readings and a collection of carols dating back as far as the 15th century.

In fact, "O Come, O Come Emmanuel," the number chosen for the choir's processional, may have had its

origin in a poem written before 800 AD, mistress of ceremonies Bernadette Godlein told the congregation.

Fr. Gerard Gauthier of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church wished everyone a "Merry Christmas" in a multitude of languages and gave the opening prayer before the youngsters in the crowd were invited to come forward and join in the first number, "Away In a Manger," a much newer melody dating back only to the late 1800s.

Five singers came forward to present two favourite Ukrainian carols, whose names translate to 'God Eternal' and "The Birth of Christ Our Saviour."

The choir presented "Twas In The Moon of

Wintertime," the first Indian Christmas carol, written in the Huron language in 1652 and often known as "The Huron Carol" before Spencer and Heath Mc Namara gave the first scripture reading of the evening, Isaiah 9: 6-7, before the choir returned with "The Peace Carol," written in 1955.

Timothy Cardinal was next at the podium, reading from Luke 2:1-7, followed up with a 1919 hymn, "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child" and a Puerto Rican carol, "From A Distant Home." Lauryn Smith continuing the story of Jesus' birth from Luke 2: 8-14, with the congregation joining in familiar carols between the choir's offerings.

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Community Choir presents its annual gift of song

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff



ELK POINT COMMUNITY CHOIR sings out at their home concert, directed by Udo Mueller and with Sheila Hatch at the piano.

Elk Point Community Choir has been touring the area in the past few weeks, entertaining audiences in Vilna, St. Paul and Bonnyville, and on Friday evening, they came home to the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre to present their annual Christmas gift of song, with a warm welcome by choir president Barb Buryn.

The group may be smaller in number than usual, but their music was every bit as thrilling, as they opened the show with their traditional a Capella number, "Just Let Me Sing" before Ruth Snyder added her piano styling to the next four songs. Director Udo Mueller's special arrangement of "A Silent Holy Night" was first on the list, followed by a series of carols sung to the music of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart in "Merry Christmas, Mozart." The traditional carol, "O Come Little Children" featured the added touch of finger cymbals played by Dixie Coleman and the hand drum of Linden Lundback.

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Elks Lodge celebrates Eskimos Grey Cup victory

LAWRENCE PIDLUZNY
Elk Point Elks Lodge

At least 20 Elk Point Elks Lodge No. 460 members and spouses/friends showed up to the Lodge Room on Nov. 29 to take in one of the most revered finals in our area; the 103rd Grey Cup Finals. Don and Irene Pilisko and friends prepared a great feast of chilli, rice, veggies and cold-cuts while in addition to helping them, Michael Chubey also looked after the refreshments. Not only was everyone enthralled by the game, but also watched the scores on their Grey Cup Pool tickets as the battle waged on the TV screen. Winners were: 1st Quarter, Allen J. Warawa, 2nd Quarter Amber Arnett, 3rd Quarter Ashley McQueen each taking home \$100, and the Final Score, Brenda Blazenko winning \$300. Thanks to all those who supported this Elks fundraiser, and also to those who helped prepare and sell the tickets.

The Elk Point Elks

Lodge has been quite busy with community support projects as well as fellowship activities within the Lodge itself. This fall we purchased 20 OilKings hockey tickets for a game coming up Feb. 13, 2016 in Edmonton, to which we've invited students from the Elk Point Outreach School. We purchased 10 tickets to the Don't Dress for Dinner Theater to help support the Allied Arts and Leisure Center (and have a great Christmas outing for some of the members). We supported the Elk Point Elks Senior Hockey program, the R. O. C. K. Foundation, the Salvation Army Hope for Christmas fund, the Elk Point Minor Hockey Atom Tournament, the Elk Point Curling Club, the Remembrance Day ceremony and the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children.

To assist in these as well as new community ventures, we need new members. Please call our Membership Director Michael Chubey at 780-645-0413 if you are at all



ELK POINT ELKS LODGE Exalted Ruler Don Pilisko officiates at the initiation of new members Ted Koska and Stephen Rolheiser on Dec. 2.

interested in joining our great organization.

We are extremely pleased to welcome the newest of our group, Ted Koska and Stephen Rolheiser, who were initiated into the Elk Point Elks Lodge No. 460 on Tuesday, Dec. 1. I know that you two will not only enjoy our fellowship but

will help to ensure that we are an awesome Canadian volunteer organization of men and women serving communities.

Some of you may remember the Skateboard Park project undertaken by the Elks nearly two years ago. We put it aside as it seemed that there was very little interest in pro-

ceeding. The only funding that we received came from ATB Financial, Servus Credit Union, the Alberta Elks Foundation and the Elk Point Elks Lodge No. 460. After a meeting with the Elk Point Lions and Community Lions, it seems that the Skateboard Park project just may be resurrected.

If any person or group feels that this might be a good thing for the youth of this area, please notify Elks member and Town Councillor Lorne Young or me, Lawrence Pidluzny at 780-724-4339. **AND KIDS, THIS INCLUDES YOU TOO!** Thanks in advance and let's hope we can get this done.

Suspects sought in break and enter

CST. M. CORMACK
Elk Point RCMP

On November 15th, 2015 a commercial business in the area of Highway 646 and Township Road 555 was the victim of a break and enter.

Unknown suspects driving

a white pickup truck towing an enclosed trailer broke into the business stealing the cash drawer and boxes of fireworks. Below are two photographs of the suspect vehicle and trailer.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or the Elk

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STELLA BLAZENKO accepted the \$300 Final Score prize from Mike Chubey on behalf of her daughter Brenda.

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Rocky Mountain House, Alberta



KEEPERS OF THE FAITH - Holly Myshaniuk and Gabe Bayduza are stalwart supporters of the annual Cantata that celebrates Christ's birth.

Many cultures, many generations of carols

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The choir's rendition of the Japanese carol, "Sheep Fast Asleep" was followed by a group from the local Filipino community, accompanied by Irwin Panganiban on guitar as they sang their traditional "Hymn of Christmas". The choir's next number was a traditional Austrian carol, "Above on the Mountain," and later, the most modern hymn of the evening, "Do You Hear What I Hear?" which was written in 1962 during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Father Mark Sych from the St. Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church gave the final scripture reading of the evening, Psalm 96.

Holly Myshaniuk had more than a benediction to offer at the conclusion of the cantata, emphasizing that "The birth of Christ is what Christmas is all about." She was recently

horrified on a visit to a popular big box store in Nova Scotia to find that Christmas cactuses were labeled 'Holiday Cactus,' a term that she felt went too far from the reason for the season.

"That we are all here for this Cantata shows that we have a clue what Christmas is all about," she said, urging every-

one to keep Christ in Christmas.

Myshaniuk has directed and organized the Cantata for the past 22 years, and is retiring this year to move to Nova Scotia. She was presented with a gift of appreciation, as was pianist Gabe Bayduza, who is also instrumental in preparing for the yearly festival of

carols that has become a Panganiban beloved tradition in Elk Point.

Another tradition is for the choir's final number, "Silent Night" to be sung in multiple languages, and so it was, with the final verse, in English, sung as they made their way back down the aisle to join the congregation for lunch and fellowship.



LOVELY LADIES with beautiful voices shared a traditional carol from the Philippines, accompanied by Irwin Panganiban on guitar.

Concert

(Continued from Front Page)

The hum of a kazoo enhanced the festivity of "A Holly, Jolly Christmas." Sheila Hatch took over the piano for the final number of the set, "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

This year's concert featured some very special guests, the St. Paul Bell Choir known as 'Resonate.' Each of their three amazing numbers had its own director, Kelsey Taylor leading them in "Silent Night," Don Buryn in the glorious "Carol of the Bells" and the choir's overall director, Joanne Lamoureux, in the lively "Feliz Navidad."

The Community Choir returned to the stage and Hatch to the piano with the gentle sounds of "Cradle Hymn," upping the tempo for "Can You Hear the Angels?" with solos by Shirley Osinchuk. Coleman and Lundback again added their special touches to "White is

the Winter Night" before the tempo slowed again for "A Lullaby."

Mueller took the opportunity to update the audience on the choir's year to date and said its members "are our own harshest critics. We expect of ourselves a dynamic sound with the power to unlock emotions." That their music does exactly that was evident in a comment a friend made to Mueller regarding the choir's presentation at the recent memorial service in St. Paul, where the friend's mother-in-law said the choir "sounded like angels from heaven."

The director thanked the bell choir, whose music "just seems to work at Christmas," as well as choir president Buryn, her board of directors and "all those who set up and take down (the equipment) for our practices each week."

The choir wrapped up their presentation with the lively notes of "Baby Born in Bethlehem," with "Go Tell it on the Mountain" threaded through its lyrics."



ST. PAUL'S 'RESONATE' BELL CHOIR began their performance with 'Silent Night,' directed by Kelsey Taylor (right).

Community Organization MSI Grant Funding Opportunity



Town of Elk Point

Mayor and Council are pleased to invite your Community Organization (Volunteers) to apply for grant funding for 2016.

If you are interested please submit your application and Financial Statements on or before January 6, 2016 to:

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or

Drop Off at:
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THE TOWN OF ELK POINT Notices & Information



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Ken Gwozdz, Development Officer

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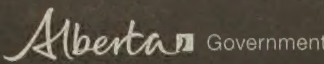
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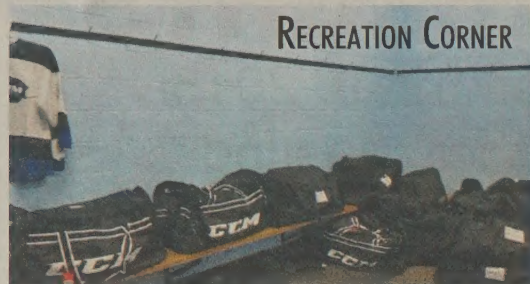
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EDITORIAL

Giving back to AGR

It's part of every minor hockey player's dream, to make it to the NHL. That one of our local young men, who played his earliest games on A. G. Ross Arena ice, made it to that level, gives Elk Point and district youngsters the proof that this can be done. That he was instrumental in obtaining hockey gear to help some of them who might not otherwise have a chance to get out on the ice and learn the skills and sportsmanship is truly icing on the cake. Thanks, Mark - you're the best!



Letestu's Locker gives every kid a chance to play

JENA COLBOURNE
Recreation Director

Elk Point Minor Hockey Association (EPMHA) received a special gift from the NHL Player's Association (NHLPA), 14 full sets of hockey gear. The equipment came with the help of Edmonton Oiler and former Elk Point resident, Mark Letestu. Vice-President of EPMHA, Tyler Warawa, says the gear will ensure that every kid, no matter the age, size, or financial situation will be able to enjoy the sport.

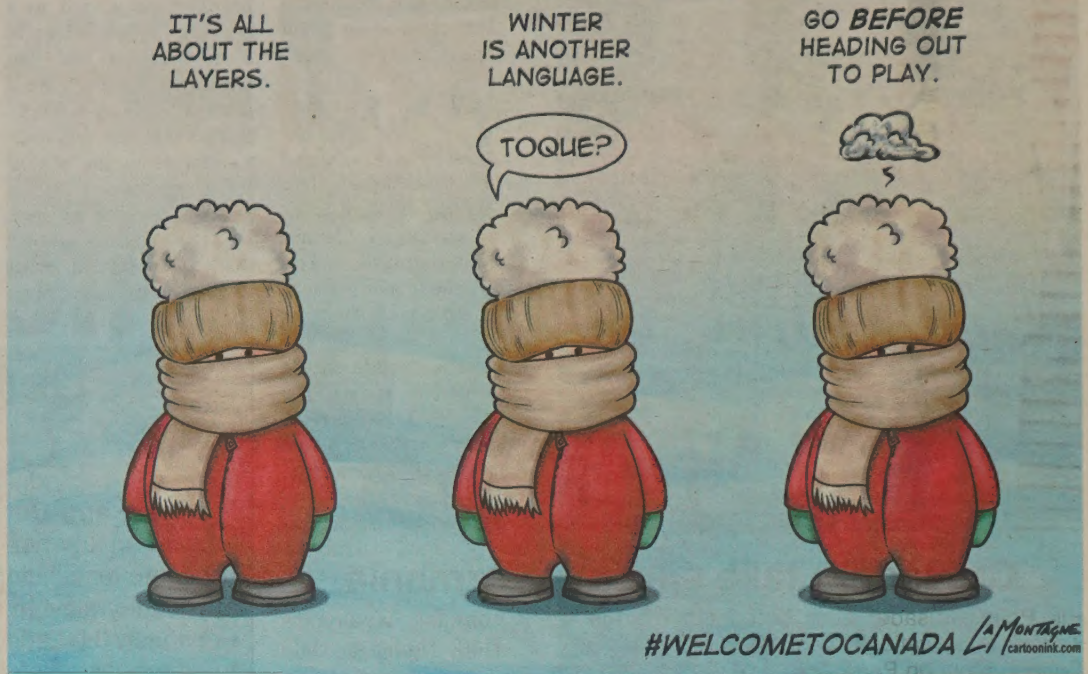
Warawa explains Mark Letestu contacted EPMHA to make sure the organization knew about the fantastic opportunity. "He said it would be good if we put in an application for the NHLPA's Goals & Dreams program. I did up an application, which was like a proposal for whatever the club needs, as far as equipment goes. We did one up for 14 sets and it goes four year olds to 16 -17 year olds. We have two sets of each size." The organization hopes that as kids grow there will always be a set of equipment to use.

Kids will get to use the equipment, free of charge, for the entire season and return it when they're done, explains Warawa. "We just got the equipment in October, so we haven't promoted it too much," EPMHA didn't want to spread the word and excite kids until they knew for sure the equipment was coming. Now that it's here, Warawa said one kid is making good use of it, with the opportunity for many more. "Now that we have it, we're trying to promote it more and more, so we can get more kids to come out and play."

EPMHA will use the same standards that Kidsport uses when determining who qualifies for the equipment, explains Warawa, "anyone who signs up for hockey and uses Kidsport for funding would have the opportunity to use the equipment. If we have left over we'll promote to the community for anybody to use it." The program has been named Letestu's Locker to honour the NHLer who Warawa suspects helped behind the scenes to ensure the organization received the equipment.

Plans are in the works for Letestu to come to Elk Point and skate with the kids in Minor Hockey. When that happens, the organization will use the opportunity to host an appreciation of some sort. The Elk Point Review will keep you posted when this event will happen and if it will be open to the public.

LESSONS FOR IMMIGRANT KIDS



Way Back When...

Busy Saturday, amazing feat, exemplary attendance

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES IN THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 15 IN...

1985

A busy Saturday in Elk Point saw the Lioness Brunch, featuring a puppet show, followed by the Elks Lodge-hosted free movie at the Arrow Theatre, the Elk Point Scouting Association's Christmas tree sale, time to visit Santa and his elves at Stedmans, and the Ukrainian Dance Club's tea, bazaar and bake sale at the Pioneer Circle Hall. Elk Point had a new Public Works superintendent, with Ron Fraess and his wife moving here from Chipman, where he recently served as mayor, to take up the position.

1990

The Town of Elk Point completed an amazing feat, with their 1991 budget approved at the Dec. 10 meeting, a full three weeks before their Dec. 31 goal, completing the work before the end of the previous year for the first time ever. The Pioneer Circle met with town council again, this time to say that what they needed was title to the land, because they had decided to go ahead with plans for a new building to house the club's activities.

1995

Elk Point Community Choir performed their annual Christmas Concert, with Don Bury at the podium and Deanna Easthope at the piano, Jill Hartley performing a breathtaking solo of 'O Holy Night' and Doreen Youngmans and Gabe Bayduza playing a medley of Christmas favourites on their accordions. Elk Point Midget Thunder improved their record to 12 wins, three losses and two ties after big wins over Turtleford Tigers and Lashburn Midgets.

The Elk Point Review publishes a variety of opinions as a contribution to debate on matters of public concern. Unsigned editorials express the view of this newspaper's editorial board which includes the Publisher and the Editor. Signed pieces express the view of the individual writer.

2000

A one-goal win over their archrival Dewberry Mustangs moved Elk Point Elks up from the middle of the pack to sit as the SaskAlta League's top team, with Leighton Grey scoring the winning goal off assists by Blair Halfe and Ted Genereux. With the organizing committee declaring the Christmas Extravaganza a success, chamber of commerce president Eugene Buck congratulated "all who did what it took to make it happen," with countless volunteer hours resulting in a very busy night for local businesses.

2005

A vast number of phone calls made by chamber of commerce vice-president Shirley Harms proved worthwhile, when over 30 entries took part in the Christmas Extravaganza parade, but the lack of barricades preventing parking on Main Street did not go over well with the organizers. Six Heinsburg Community School students were rewarded for exemplary attendance, attitude and schoolwork when they were presented with computers for use at home, with another 92 students also receiving perfect attendance awards.

2010

An open house at Northern Lights Library System headquarters showcased the building's newly completed renovations and gave a behind-the-scenes look at the many processes that take place to supply member libraries with materials in an efficient and cost-saving manner.



CO-OP HELPS SANTAS - Elk Point Co-op presented Santas Anonymous with a \$700 donation raised at their 2010 staff Christmas party.

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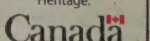
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Janani Whitfield photo

Crusaders take silver at Tasmania

Elk Point Crusader Girls brought home the silver from this weekend's Tasmania Invitational basketball tournament at St. Paul Regional High School. Story on Page 7.



Hannah Ganske, Amy Bullock, Daphne Schnurer and Cassandra Moores are all set for the season at Elk Point Municipal Library.

DAPHNE SCHNURER Elk Point Municipal Library

We've dug out our Christmas sweaters, eaten plum pudding and mince tarts at the library tea, and now we're all ready to help you have a great Christmas.

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The library will be closed from Dec. 24 to Jan. 3, inclusive, reopening on Monday, Jan. 4, so make sure to pick up your supply of books, maga-

zines and videos to enjoy while we all take a break.

IN MEMORIAM

MOROZIUK, Marshall E.

Feb. 6, 1954 - Dec. 19, 2012



He was always ready to give a kind word, a helping hand or a smile as big as the sky was wide.

He was a good man who worked hard, loved his family, and was an example to all of us.

We know we'll miss him, we all will, but you can take comfort knowing his legacy lives on in every life he touched.

Loved and missed by Agnes, Robyn, Shaun and all the Family.

Christmas gift for children's section



ELK POINT ROYAL PURPLE member Vicki Brooker (left) presents the lodge's \$2,500 donation to Friends of the Library president Sherry Milholland and library manager Daphne Schnurer.

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL No. 19



HIGHLIGHTS

December 8, 2015

Council Meeting

Planning and Development – Administration will be bringing forward an amendment to Section 7.30 of the Land Use Bylaw to allow the installation of private sewage holding tanks that meet applicable/relevant CAN/CSA standards on lakefront properties. Previously the Land Use Bylaw restricted tanks in these locations to be precast reinforced concrete.

Council approved Bylaw No. 2015-24 to rezone 10 acres in PNE 11-59-9-W4 from Agricultural to Country Residential One.

Fee Schedule Bylaw – Council adopted an updated fee schedule bylaw which includes the rate changes that were made over the course of the year as well as proposed changes recommended by the Safety Codes Act Committee. Rates in the bylaw are reviewed annually to keep up with inflation rates and to reevaluate the services provided to ratepayers.

Policies – Council approved amendments to several policies, including Snowplowing of Driveways, Brush and Tree Removal and Waste Bin Rental and a new policy for the Elk Point Fire Department Levels of Service.

Regional Emergency Management Plan (REMP) – Council approved the Regional Emergency Management Plan which is the basis from which the County will build an effective; economic and coordinated response and recovery to an emergency or disaster. The plan is a living document and therefore will be revised and updated on a continuing and regular basis. A copy of the plan will be available online once all the partner municipalities have approved it.

Elk Point Airport – The County and Town of Elk Point will enter into a five year agreement with Alberta Transportation to lease the Elk Point Airport. The municipalities will also be requesting funding from Alberta Transportation for lighting and GPS/Navigation as per the report provided by Integrated Airport Services Ltd., on the condition of purchasing the Elk Point Airport in the future.

Funding Support:

- \$300 St. Paul Jr. Curling Association
- \$500 MS Society
- \$500 each for Mallaig School Boys & Girls and St. Paul Regional High School Boys and Girls Sr. Volleyball teams for attending Provincial Championships
- \$2,000 Hamlet of Lottie Lake for outdoor rink
- \$4,000 Ashmont Ag Society for Roof Repairs
- \$20,000 CG Baker Riding Arena
- \$30,000 Elk Point A.G. Ross Arena

We are requesting that when residents are clearing their driveway and push the snow across the road, that they do not leave ridges on the road as this is a safety issue.

Residents who require snow removal on their driveways can purchase flags from the County at the Administration Office, Public Works, or the Town of Elk Point Administration Office. Seniors can have their driveways plowed free of charge, however they require a flag which can be picked up from the County Administration Office or Public Works.

Christmas Hours – The County Office will close at noon on December 24 and will reopen on Monday January 4.

**For more information contact
Sheila Kitz, CAO, County of St. Paul
At 780-645-3301, ext 208**

Legend lives on in minor hockey as Timbits crunch Avs

The very first Tim Horton's opened in my birthplace, Hamilton Ontario back in 1964. I bet Tim never in his wildest dreams knew what it would eventually become. Tim played most of his hockey career for the Leafs in their glory days wearing number 7, the same number the Sportshound wears for hockey. He was a big sturdy defenseman who died on QEW late one night on the way back from Buffalo to Toronto, but his legend lives on in almost every midsize town when you see a drive through backed up and find an arena with a team sponsored by Tim's.



**doug
BASSETT**

Review Sports

Two weeks ago the **Micro Novice** played in St. Paul against the Timbits Blue team, losing 11 to 6. Braylee Lesyk scored a hat trick, 'Notorious Nolan' Ballas, Boe Johnson and Brendan Kadutski all scored their first goals ever and all of them in the last 13 minutes of the game, making it very exciting. This past Saturday the micro novice travelled once more to play another team in St. Paul, this time the Timbits Red team losing this one 9 to 7. Two goals each for Braylee Lesyk and Boe Johnson, Brendan Kadutski and 'Notorious Nolan' with one each and scoring his first goal ever was Miles Koren.

The **Atom No. 1** team also played in St. Paul this past Wednesday winning by one goal, Kaleb 'Formula One' Flamand with the winner. Here at home on Saturday against the very same St. Paul team, it was another very tight game until the midway point in the second period, the Avalanche only winning by a 2 to 0 score at that point of

the game, when suddenly the flood gates opened up, the Avalanche adding 10 more goals in the second half, the final score 12 to 1.... must have had something good in those energy drinks at half time or maybe it was the prep talk. Slippery 'Mic Jager' Fontaine dancing around a few defenders, getting in for five goals. Defenseman 'St. Nic' Penner was a man on

a mission, maybe the best game that I have personally seen him play, he carried the puck end to end, scored a couple of goals and made some pretty sweet passes that resulted in assists. Cash 'CC' Capjack with a nice one timer and three assists, Wonder why we call this guy 'Formula One', because he's fast, Kaleb 'Formula One' Flamand showing us his speed, scoring two goals five seconds apart. Lanky Landon 'the Magnificent' Malachowski with a goal and an assist. Nathaniel Cousins hammering one home. Behind the mask, 'Kid Kade' Fontaine played fantastic, he quick as a cat on a hot tin roof. No goals from Ryan 'Ram Rod' Cameron but not from lack of effort, the poor kid did a super job of fore checking and was on the door step a few times, but didn't get the bouncing puck to settle down enough to get a piece of it. No glory for Ceajay Quinney and Josef 'Red' Theriault doing a great job on the blue line moving the puck up. On Sunday up in Boyle the boys had another great day passing and everyone was on the score sheet in this one.

The **Peewee Girls Storm** took to the road this weekend, playing Saturday

in the Border City and losing this one 2 to 0. The team missing two regular defenseman moved Rae-J Pruden back to the point, she was really good at blocking shots and keeping traffic away from goalie Heaven Colbourne and was awarded the Storm Trooper of the game for her efforts. Heaven came up with some big saves but she couldn't save them all, and we need a least a goal or two to win. On Sunday the Storm headed north to Lac La Biche losing another really good one 4 to 2. It was terrific effort by all the girls, who were once again short a few defenseman. Jenna 'Precious' Poitras, awarded the hard hat for the Storm Trooper of the game, scored the first goal assisted by hard working digging of Ashley 'Hacksaw' Hunter and Alayna Hladunewich. Getting the green light defense woman Jelena 'Prime Time' Parr also scored assisted by Halle 'Comet' Stybel. This coming weekend the Storm will be playing here at home on Friday night and Sunday afternoon, why not come check it out and show your support.

The **Midget Avalanche** travelled to Mallaig Friday night winning a really tight battle 6 to 5. Brody 'The Big O' Odgaard with two goals, his brother 'Dead Eye Dylan' with one. Recently signed Bowen Krider, the newest Avalanche player, who hasn't been on a competitive hockey team for three years, with a goal. Christian 'Wheels' Castle Wasson and Warren 'Night Shift' Plunkie with one each, Chad 'Pick Pocket' Poitras with a couple of helpers. Cameron 'Bear' Baird with an assist as well. On Sunday back at home the midgets hosted another strong team, the Irma Aces. The Avalanche with a

2 to 1 lead half way through the third period, the first one a short handed beauty by 'Awesome Alex' Hunter and then another one by 'Dead Eye Dylan' both of them assisted by defenseman 'Tricky Nick' Tucker. The boys were sailing along smoothly when suddenly the tide shifted, the Aces would tie the game, then take the lead 20 seconds later, knocking the wind out of their sails, the momentum shifted and was impossible to stop the wave, the Aces added another two before it was over, the final 5 to 2 for Irma. 'Pick Pocket' awarded the hard hat for some hard hits in the game, some he dished out and some on the receiving end.

The **Peewee** boys played in a tournament in Wetaskiwin this past weekend, facing some better competition than they have had lately in their league, coming home with a split, winning two games and losing two. The first game on Friday night the talented set up man 'Lighting Liam' Ludlage winning the player of the game award, setting up 'Jet Stream' Jaden Van Maarion for a hat trick, and not just in that game, but another hat trick in the second game. Goalie Ronan 'Radar' Poulin was the player of the game in the second game for his outstanding timely saves. Charlie 'Little Angel' Rogal with a hat trick in the third game. 'King Cole' Bendixen with a couple of nice goals in their final game against the host. 'Danny Boy' Cardinal and Dallas 'Cowboy' Bristow adding one each. Jadey 'the Lady' Capjack, Odin 'the Wall' Smith, Evan 'Batman' Ockerman and Jace 'the Stafford Streak' all doing a wonderful job on the defense, no glory but a lot of guts!

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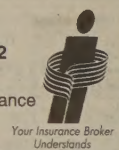
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The Bantam Avalanche are having a super start, winning 12 out of 13 games so far this year and lighting it up again this weekend, winning over Saddle Lake at home on Saturday in a rough game 16 to 2...then on Sunday the team traveled to Boyle racking up another two points in a 13 to 2 win. Goalie Colton 'Colt 45' Van Maarion not seeing a lot of action, but coming through when called upon, 'Silent Sam' Henderson with a goal and a couple of assists. Clap for the 'Wolf Man' Wolke Cueva with a couple of helpers too.

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Crusader girls win Taz silver

JANANAI WHITFIELD
Reviewe Staff

The F. G. Miller Crusaders got an extra bounce to their step this past weekend, winning silver at their first basketball tournament of the season during the St. Paul Regional Saints' Tazmania Invitational.

Sixteen teams from the local area including St. Paul, Elk Point, Mallaig and Ashmont, as well as teams from Vermilion, Fort McMurray and Edmonton, descended on Glen Avon and Regional School courts over Friday and Saturday, leading up to the final matches with the Crusader girls playing Fort McMurray Composite for gold, and two Fort McMurray schools competing for the boys' gold.

Crusaders coach Madi Novakowski said her girls had yet to have had a St. Paul Athletic Association (SPAA) game, and that the tournament gave them their first game and first win of the season. While the Crusaders put in a solid effort, the Miners would hold on to a strong lead and finish the game 60-40.

Last year, the Crusaders team only had five players, and this year, it boasts 10 players, and Novakowski said it was great for those 10

players to start the basketball season on a high note with a second-place finish.

"I think it's a good confidence booster for my team," she said, adding, "I think it's going to be a good season. We have a good team, so I'm pretty excited.

Battling for third place were the Saints taking on the Ashmont Falcons, with the Saints winning the match, 45-29.

The boy Saints would also play in the match for third place, against Louis St. Laurent from Edmonton. While the Saints battled to close the Barons' lead to within 15 points, the Barons blew open the doors in the final minutes of the fourth quarter to finish 30 points ahead of the competition.

"Obviously you'd like our teams to be in the final at least, but sometimes it doesn't work that way," said Brandon Strocki, Saints' assistant coach and one of the organizers for the tournament.

"Our competition was really good this year; there were a lot of strong teams," said Strocki. He noted this is the first time in a while that the Tazmania basketball tournament has drawn teams from the city, a trend which he hopes to see expand in the future.

Big road trip win for Elks

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Elks had a big win on the road Saturday night when they traveled to Neilburg to take on the Monarchs, after an unscheduled night off when their Friday home game was cancelled.

Neilburg was first on the scoreboard just seconds into the game and made it 2-0 before Matthew Boulianne scored off assists by Blake Brodbin and Mark Brodbin,

then tied it up just after mid period, Derek West assisted by Corey Hunter and Chevy Botting.

Four goals, one apiece for Sean Joly, Derek West, Myles Whitford and Chevy Botting, early in the second gave the Elks a comfortable 6-2 lead, with Mark Brodbin, Botting, Boulianne, Joly and Devin Moneta providing the assists. A single goal for Neilburg didn't stop the onslaught, the Elks would add two more, Jordan Wozniak scoring off Conrad Pierce and Moneta

assisted by Botting, before the buzzer sounded.

Two more Elks goals hit the scoreboard, giving them a 10-3 lead, Blake Brodbin assisted by Boulianne and Moneta assisted by West, before Neilburg could find the twine, and then added a parting power play shot by Whitford, assisted by Mark Brodbin and Joly, with a minute and a half left in the game, for an 11-4 victory.

The Elks head to Vermilion on Friday to play the Rock.

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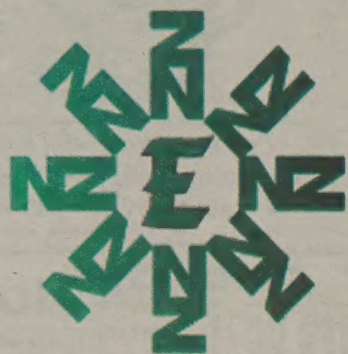
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